

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
A B S T R A C T

Public Services - Departmental proceedings under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 read with rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 - Articles of charge against Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, Deputy Director (Retired), Information & Public Relations Department, Hyderabad - Issued.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION [SC.D] DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No: 979

Dated: 26-02-2010.

Read :

G.O.Ms.No.82, General Administration (SC.D) Department,
dated 26-02-2010.

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O R D E R :-

In pursuance of sanction accorded by the Government under sub-clause (i) of clause (b) of sub-rule (2) of Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 for instituting departmental proceedings against Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, Deputy Director (Retired), Information & Public Relations Department, Hyderabad, vide G.O. read above, it is proposed to hold an inquiry against the said Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2) It is proposed to hold an inquiry against Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, Deputy Director (Retired), Information & Public Relations Department, Hyderabad in accordance with the procedure laid down in rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991.

3) The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Articles of charge (Annexure-I). A list of documents by which the articles of charge are proposed to be sustained is also enclosed (Annexure-II).

4) Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, Deputy Director (Retired), is directed to submit within 15 days of the receipt of this orders, a written statement of his defence.

5) Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, Deputy Director (Retired), is further informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those articles of charge as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each articles of charge.

6) Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, Deputy Director (Retired), is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in Para (4) above, further action will be proceeded based on the material available.

7) The attention of Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, Deputy Director (Retired), is invited to rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to
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further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, Deputy Director (Retired), is aware of such representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

8) The receipt of the order may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHA PRADESH)

S.V. PRASAD,
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, Deputy Director (Retired), Information & Public Relations Department, Hyderabad through the Commissioner, Information & Public Relations, Hyderabad.

The Commissioner, Information & Public Relations, Hyderabad (with a request to serve the above order on the Charged Officer; obtain his dated acknowledgement on the duplicate copy of the order and return).

Copy to:-

The General Administration (Information & Public Relations) Department.
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ANNEXURE - I

(To G.O.Rt.No. 979 , GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (SC-D) DEPARTMENT,
DATED:26.02.2010)

STATEMENT OF ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI CH. RANGASAI BHATT, FORMERLY DEPUTY DIRECTOR (RETIRED), INFORMATION & PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT, HYDERABAD.

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That Sri Ch. Rangasai Bhatt, while working as Deputy Director, Information & Public Relations Department, Hyderabad during the period from 23.11.2004 to 27-01-2010 has committed grave misconduct in as much as indicated below :-

ARTICLE OF CHARGE No.1:-

That Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, Deputy Director (Retired), while working as Deputy Director, Information & Public Relations Department, Hyderabad, has exhibited misconduct, negligence and abuse of his official position by corrupt and illegal means in publishing a Telugu pamphlet with criminal intent to tarnish the image of the Hon'ble Minister for Information & Public Relations, knowingly well that the Hon'ble Minister belongs to Scheduled Caste community, which is derogatory and defamatory act. He abused the Honourable Minister, Information & Public Relations in a filthy language raising allegations that there are no posts created in Head of the Department for using the post of DPROs etc. by taking them from the subordinate offices at random.

ARTICLE OF CHARGE No.2:-

That Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, Deputy Director (Retired), Information & Public Relations, being a Government Servant has brought out the pamphlet printed in the name of 'Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, President of Telangana Udyogula Eikya Vedika', distributed and circulated by him for the public consumption, clearly attracting the provisions of SC & ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, since the Hon'ble Minister belongs to Scheduled Caste community and is highly reputed personality in the State.

ARTICLE OF CHARGE No.3:-

That Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, Deputy Director (Retired), Information & Public Relations, brought out the same version of the letter submitted to One Man Commission dated 06.04.2004 with regard to sanction of cadre strength of the tenure posts in the Commissionerate.

ARTICLE OF CHARGE No.4:-

That Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, Deputy Director (Retired), Information & Public Relations, is making false allegations such as gross injustice is done to the Telangana Officers without following the six-point formula in promotions to the category of Regional Joint Directors.

Thus, Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, Deputy Director (Retired), Information & Public Relations Department, Hyderabad, by his above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of a Government

Servant and there by contravened Rule 3-A and (14) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.”

BASIS OF THE CHARGE:

“That Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, while working as Deputy Director, Information & Public Relations Department, Hyderabad has brought out a pamphlet with a criminal intention to tarnish the image of the Hon’ble Minister for Information & Public Relations and he is aware that Hon’ble Minister belongs to Scheduled Caste community. The contents in the pamphlet are derogatory and defamatory. The translated version of the pamphlet which was printed in Telugu is “Raajinama Dramalu, Lafanga, DHOKABAJI TANAMTO UPASAMHARINCHUKOVADAM, RASTRAPTI ADESALANU ULLANGHINCHADAM, AARU SUTRALA PADHAKANNI KALRAYADAM, MOSAGINCHADAM highly abusive and filthy language leveling allegations that there are no posts crated in Head of the Department for using the post of DPROs etc., by taking them from the subordinate offices at random. As per the report of Director of Information & Public Relations certain posts were sanctioned as tenure posts in the G.O.Ms.No.554, dated 15.7.1976 and the numbers indicated against each posts and number of posts sanctioned in the G.O., and the numbers indicated against each posts and number of posts sanctioned in the G.O., as for the other posts are either utilizing excess of the sanctioned or less than the sanction given indication of deviation. The Director, Information & Public Relations has also submitted that after organization of local cadres at appointment / recruitment to various categories of the posts in the local cadre have been regulated in accordance with the Presidential Order, but certain categories of posts which are existing in the Directorate and which have been localized in local cadre are treated as tenure posts for drawl of candidates from the respective zones etc. and requested to advice the Director, Information & Public Relations that his action is not only untenable from the point of view of service rules, FRs and budget aspects and as far as the Commissionerate is concerned is violative of Presidential order, the matter got to be set right. If the Department needs the posts in Head of the Department office, they should get them sanctioned for the head office separately and not to divert them from the Zones, otherwise such posts cannot be utilized in the head office, as in Excise Department shifting of posts to other zones was object to by the House Committee and the Government revised the shifting. The Hon’ble Minister Smt. Geeta Reddy belongs to Scheduled Caste community and the pamphlet printed by Telangana Udyogula Eikya Vedika represented by its President Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt duly signed has been circulated by him for the public consumption. He has intentionally maligned the name of Hon’ble Minister and distributed the pamphlet to insult the Hon’ble Minister knowingly fully well that she belongs to Scheduled Caste community.

Thus, Sri Ch.Rangasai Bhatt, Deputy Director (Retired), Information & Public Relations Department, Hyderabad by his above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of a Government Servant and thereby contravened Rule 3(1) and (2) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Service (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

The Government Servant has therefore rendered himself liable for regular departmental action for major penalty.”

**S. V. PRASAD,
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

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ANNEXURE-II

(To G.O.Rt.No. 979, GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (SC-D) DEPARTMENT,
DATED:26.02.2010)

**LIST OF DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED
AGAINST SRI CH. RANGASAI BHATT, DEPUTY DIRECTOR (RETIRED),
INFORMATION & PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT, HYDERABAD ARE
PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.**

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1. Pamphlet published on 04-01-2010 in the Name of the President, Telangana Employees United Forum, Municipal Market, Chikkadapally, Hyderabad.
2. Letter No.15557/Admn.I-1-2009, dated 5.01.2010 addressed to the Station House Officer, Saifabad Police Station, Hyderabad.

**S.V. PRASAD
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

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ANNEXURE-III

(To G.O.Rt.No. 979, GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (SC-D) DEPARTMENT,
DATED:26.02.2010)

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHOM THE ARTICLES OF CHARGE FRAMED
AGAINST SRI CH. RANGASAI BHATT, DEPUTY DIRECTOR (RETIRED),
INFORMATION & PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT, HYDERABAD ARE
PROPOSED TO BE SUSTAINED.

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1. Sri C.Parthasarathi,IAS, Commissioner, Information & Public Relations Department, Hyderabad.
2. Sri A.Subhash Goud, Director, Information & Public Relations Department, Hyderabad.
3. Sri M.Prabhakara Rao, Additional Director (Advt.), Information & Public Relations Department, Hyderabad.
4. Sri D.Srinivas, Joint Director (MR), Information & Public Relations Department, Hyderabad.
5. Sri G.Sanyasi Rao, Regional Joint Director, Zone-VI, Information & Public Relations Department, Hyderabad.

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CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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